

Senate Study Bill 1035

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BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES BILL)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to fishing by establishing fees, allocating
2 fishing license revenue to fish habitat development, modifying
3 trout fishing fee requirements, and providing effective and
4 applicability dates.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 483A.1, subsection 1, paragraphs a, 1,
1 2 and s, Code 2003, are amended to read as follows:
1 3 a. Fishing license..... \$ ~~10.50~~
1 4 17.00
1 5 1. Fishing license, seven=day..... \$ ~~8.50~~
1 6 11.50
1 7 s. ~~Fish habitat fee~~ Fishing license, one=day..... \$ ~~3.00~~
1 8 7.50
1 9 Sec. 2. Section 483A.1, subsection 2, paragraphs a, b, and
1 10 s, Code 2003, are amended to read as follows:
1 11 a. Fishing license, annual..... \$ ~~36.00~~
1 12 39.00
1 13 b. Fishing license, seven=day..... \$ ~~27.00~~
1 14 30.00
1 15 s. ~~Fish habitat fee~~ Fishing license, three=day..... \$ ~~3.00~~
1 16 15.50
1 17 Sec. 3. Section 483A.1, subsection 2, Code 2003, is
1 18 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
1 19 NEW PARAGRAPH. t. Fishing license, one=day..... \$ 8.50
1 20 Sec. 4. Section 483A.3A, Code 2003, is amended by striking
1 21 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
1 22 483A.3A FISH HABITAT DEVELOPMENT FUNDING.
1 23 Three dollars from each resident and nonresident annual and
1 24 seven=day fishing license sold shall be deposited in the state
1 25 fish and game protection fund and shall be used within this
1 26 state for fish habitat development. Not less than fifty
1 27 percent of this amount shall be used by the commission to
1 28 enter into agreements with county conservation boards to carry
1 29 out the purposes of this section.
1 30 Sec. 5. Section 483A.6, Code 2003, is amended to read as
1 31 follows:
1 32 483A.6 TROUT FISHING FEE.
1 33 Any person required to have a fishing license shall not
1 34 ~~fish for or~~ possess trout unless that person has paid the
1 35 trout fishing fee. ~~The proceeds from the fee shall be used~~
2 1 ~~exclusively for the trout program designated by the~~
2 2 ~~commission. The commission may grant a permit to a community~~
2 3 ~~event in which trout will be stocked in water which is not~~
2 4 ~~designated trout water and a person may catch and possess~~
2 5 ~~trout during the period and from the water covered by the~~
2 6 ~~permit without having paid the trout fishing fee.~~
2 7 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY DATES. This Act
2 8 takes effect December 15, 2003, and applies to licenses and
2 9 fees for fishing and fish habitat activities for the years
2 10 beginning on or after January 1, 2004.
2 11 EXPLANATION
2 12 This bill raises the license fees for resident and
2 13 nonresident annual and seven=day fishing licenses. The bill
2 14 also adds new categories of one=day resident fishing licenses
2 15 and three=day and one=day nonresident fishing licenses.
2 16 The bill eliminates the separate \$3 fish habitat fee and
2 17 provides instead that \$3 from each resident and nonresident
2 18 annual and seven=day fishing license be used for fish habitat
2 19 development with no less than 50 percent of that amount used
2 20 by the commission to enter into agreements with county
2 21 conservation boards to develop fish habitat.

2 22 The bill also provides that a person who is required to
2 23 have a fishing license shall not either fish for or possess
2 24 trout without first paying the trout fishing fee and deletes
2 25 language requiring all trout fishing fees to be used
2 26 exclusively for the trout program. The bill also deletes
2 27 language allowing the natural resource commission to grant
2 28 permits to community events to stock trout in water which is
2 29 not designated trout water and to allow a person to catch and
2 30 possess trout during the event without paying a trout fishing
2 31 fee.

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